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SUBJECT: HOST COUNTRY REQUIREMENTS FOR AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY INSURANCE

**REF: STATE 189095** 

1. FOLLOWING IS IN RESPONSE TO YOUR REFERENCED TELEGRAM:

A. YES

B. \$150,000.00 FOR DEATH OR BODILY INJURY PER PERSON
 \$450,000.00 FOR DEATH OR BODILY INJURY PER ACCIDENT
 \$45,000.00 FOR PROPERTY DAMAGE PER ACCIDENT.

DIPLOMATS DO NOT RECEIVE AUSTRIAN LICENSE PLATES FROM TRAFFIC POLICE UNLESS THEY PRODUCE A STATEMENT FROM AN INSURANCE COMPANY LICENSED TO DO BUSINESS IN AUSTRIA THAT MINIMUM LIABILITY INSURANCE WAS OBTAINED FOR THE VEHICLE.

C. NOT APPLICABLE

D. NOT APPLICABLE

E. LOCAL LAW PROVIDES FOR DIRECT LEGAL ACTION AGAINST UNCLASSIFIED

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INSURER, THUS BYPASSING PROBLEM OF DIPLOMATIC IMMUNITY. ARTICLE 7, PARA 2 OF ANNEX I TO EUROPEAN CONVENTION ON COMPULSORY INSURANCE AGAINST CIVEL LIABILITY IN RESPECT TO MOTOR VEHICLES IS NOT APPLIED WITH RESPECT TO

DIPLOMATS, AS IT IS NOT ENFORCEABLE UNLESS IMMUNITY IS WAIVED. WAIVER OF IMMUNITY IS NOT REQUIRED UNDER

## AUSTRIAN LAW OR CUSTOM.

- F. INSURANCE COMPANY CAN NOT REPEAT NOT DEFEND ON GROUND THAT INSURED HAS FAILED TO COOPERATE.
- G. NOT APPLICABLE.
- H. NOT APPLICABLE, SINCE LIABILITY INSURANCE MANDATORY.
- I. PREMIUM RATES IN AUSTRIA ARE UNIFORM AND MUST BE APPROVED BY GOA. DIPLOMATS ARE SUBJECT TO SAME RATES AS AUSTRIAN CITIZENS.
- J. GENERALLY, INSURANCE CONTRACT OF DIPLOMATS IS SAME AS STANDARD CONTRACT IN USE IN AUSTRIA. CERTAIN INSURANCE COMPANIES GRANT SLIGHTLY BETTER CONDITIONS TO DIPLOMATS, SUCH AS HIGHER COVERAGE FOR STANDARD PREIUM.
- K. NO WAIVER REQUIRED.
- L. NO WAIVER REQUIRED.
- M. PREVAILING SYSTEM WORKS WELL. NO NOTORIOUS CASES OF PERSONAL INJURY OR DEATH CAUSED BY DIPLOMAT WOTHOUT SATISFACTORY SETTLEMENT BY INSURANCE COMPANY.

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